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| Applicant(s)     | ) | Chetan JAIN <i>et al.</i>         |
| Application No.  | ) | 10/603,995                        |
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| Title            | ) | FRAMEWORK FOR ENABLING DYNAMIC    |
|                  | ) | CONSTRUCTION OF A NETWORK ELEMENT |
|                  | ) | MANAGEMENT MECHANISM              |
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the final Office Action mailed January 8, 2008, rejecting Claims 1-28 of the above-referenced Application, in which Claims 1-28 are pending and Claims 29-30 are withdrawn, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered and remarks be considered. In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the Application is now in condition for allowance and respectfully request such action.

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